

WSATA Conference - 2013

- Staff Consolidation – 2006
 - Developers, Desk Top Support, Security, DBA
- Server Consolidation – 2009
- Security of Data Systems
- Google Security

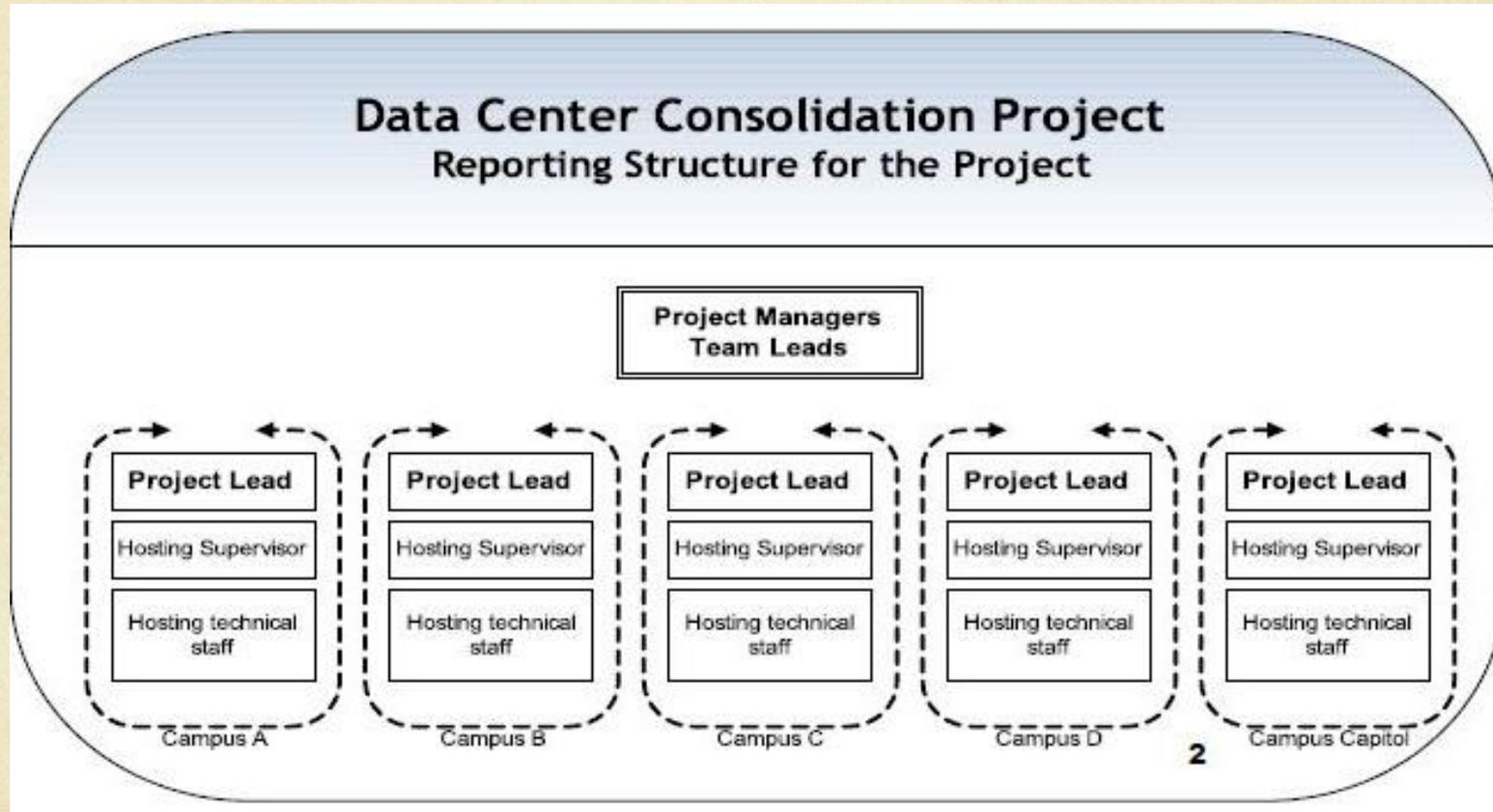
Data Center Consolidation Initiative

- The project was successfully completed in a short 12 months, with a 6 month planning period beforehand.
- The results of the project include:
 - Reduced the number of data centers in the State from 35 to 2
 - Reduced the total number of physical servers from 1864 to 591
 - Save the State \$4 million annually ongoing in server, support, and energy costs
 - Increased security
 - Increased performance

Consolidation January 6, 2009

- **Communication essential between Agency and Enterprise (State Data Center)**
 - Timing is a critical factor to the agency
 - Data ownership - by the Agency
 - Applications & Data Bases is owned by Agency

Data Center Consolidation Project Reporting Structure



Ownership of Data Systems

- Discussions and agreements between parties up Front is critical
- State Data Center (State CIO)
 - What is the roll of the Enterprise (State Data Center)
- Infrastructure of the Network
 - Firewalls
 - Connectivity - network
 - Security of the servers
 - Hosting
 - All infrastructure function

Ownership of Data Systems (cont.)

○ Agency

- Applications
- All Data
- Security of data
- Training of Agency and DTS staff
- Policy and procedures

Accomplishments

- Successfully consolidated 35 existing data centers down to 2 data centers.
- Successfully reduced physical server counts from 1864 servers, to 591 physical servers, a 68% reduction in server counts.
- Built out a scalable enterprise storage environment that allows for Tier 1, Tier 2, and Tier 3 data storage

Lessons Learned Consolidation

- Support of executive management is essential to the success of the and provides a means to be accountable for reporting
- Ensure the project plan has clearly defined objectives and deliverables to prevent scope creep
- Give visibility to the progress of the project
- Regular communication is essential for a successful project

Lessons Learned (Cont.)

- Customer Communication - Maintain a high level of communication with the customer and the Campus IT manager about the project
- Not every campus can or should do their moves like the other campuses
- Set time frames for task completions to allow for application testing before/after server migrations

Security Of Tax Data

- October 2012 – State Department of Health had a data breach
- All of a sudden agencies deemed Security a high Priority
- Many agencies didn't have the requirement of a IRS 1075 to meet
 - One time I was grateful for the 1075

Remediation Taken

- Data classification in all systems state wide
- Risk Assessments (High, Medium, Low) by agency and with consultation form DTS
- Outside Consultant hired to a Statewide security assessment
- Statewide Security Council created
- Security Ownership Identified

Security Ownership

- Network, Hosting, and Infrastructure
 - Enterprise (Statewide DTS)
 - Blocks between 300 Million
- Application, Data, Policy and Procedure
 - Agency
 - Responsibility of audit
 - Accountability for security to the public is Agency

Email Security Google Mail

- November 2001 State Dept. of Technology (DTS) notified all State agencies that Google Apps was selected as the replacement for Group Wise
- Implementation planned for May 2012
- January 2012 – Tax submitted their 45-day notice to the IRS letting them know of scheduled move to Google
- February 2012 – Tax notified DTS and Google of four 1075 compliance requirements

Email Security (cont.)

- May 2012 – IRS Office of Safeguards onsite visit to Google Data Center in Washington DC
- June 2012 – Tax worked with DTS to implement customer defined security controls
- June 2012 – Received approval from IRS
- November 2012 – All State of Utah employees migrated to Google Apps

Challenges

- Getting DTS to understand the need to involve the IRS in the transition
- Google assumed that since they were FISMA compliant, that also meant they were Pub. 1075 compliant.
- Email servers are not considered remote, requiring 2-factor authentication to access email. Token cost were around \$70.00 per person
- Encryption and archiving of emails was not included in the original Google contract. Additional cost of \$40.00 per person - **Extremely tight timeframe for completion**

Resolutions

- Held numerous conference calls with the IRS Office of Safeguards, Booz Allen Hamilton, DTS and Google
- Internal meetings with project team; weekly meeting with core project team; sub-team met multiple times per week
- Follow up, follow up, follow up
- Training of all employees: online videos, Google guides, Instructor led training on encryption - labeling

Resolutions (cont.)

- Implement recommended controls:
 - Labeling
 - Encryption
 - Audit trails/Logging
 - retained for 10 years
 - 2-factor authentication
 - RSA SecurID tokens
 - Policy & procedure update

Where We Are Today

- Still tweaking procedures as we find better ways to do things
- Auditing process is extremely time consuming – need to compare multiple log files. Google is working on a solution to simplify the monitoring process
- Building test environment to allow testing of changes prior to the move to production